

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE REQUESTED FILING OF RULE 1.53(B)  
CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION BASED ON  
THE FOLLOWING PENDING PRIOR PATENT APPLICATION:

In re Application of: James J. Frassica  
Serial No.: 09/448,054  
Filing Date: 11/23/99  
Title: ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION  
SYSTEM  
Group Art Unit: 3763  
Examiner: L. Thanh  
Attorney's Docket No.: FA-63 CIP CON

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, please insert:

-- Reference To Pending Prior Patent Application

This is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 09/448,054 filed 11/23/99 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM, which in turn is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 08/797,426, filed 02/10/97 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM.

Remarks

As noted in the accompanying REQUEST FOR FILING RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION APPLICATION, this is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 09/448,054 filed 11/23/99 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM, which in turn is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 08/797,426, filed 02/10/97 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM. The above amendment is intended to make this fact of record in the specification of this continuation application.

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Examiner: N. Gring  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 4, please insert:

-- This is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/797,426, filed 02/10/97 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM. --

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